STAR OF THE VALLEY
Catholic Church

495 White Oak Drive
Santa Rosa, CA 95409

We members of Star of the Valley Parish
gather around the central act of Catholic worship,
the celebration of active participation in the Mass.
As a Eucharistic centered people, we reach out to heal,
console and listen in the spirit of truth and justice,
with a preferential option for the poor,
thus advancing as individuals and
as a community into the image of Christ.



Pastoral Staff
Rev. Msgr. James Pulskamp, Pastor

Contact Numbers
Parish Office Phone: 707-539-6262
Answering service is taking all calls until further notice.
E-mail: sov@sonic.net
Website: www.staroftheValley.org

Parish Office Hours
Monday–Friday, 8:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.
Located in the Msgr. Fahey Parish Center—**Closed**
495 White Oak Drive, Santa Rosa, CA 95409-5939*
*This is the church and parish's mailing address.
Travis Moore, Office Manager
Sharon A. Charlton, Outgoing Office Manager
Anna Jean, Administrative Assistant

Welcome New Parishioners
Please sign the Newcomers Register
next to the side door in the back of the Church.

Mass Times
Weekday Masses: Tuesday-Friday **8:00 a.m.**
Oakmont Gardens: Wednesday **10:30 a.m.**
Sunday Masses:
Saturday **4:00 p.m. Vigil**, Sunday **10:00 a.m.**

Sacrament of Reconciliation
Saturday **from 3:00-3:30 p.m.** and by appointment.

Anointing of the Sick
For appointment, email or leave a message in the office
for Anointing of the Sick by a Priest
when someone is hospitalized or homebound.

Ministry to the Sick & Homebound
Call the office to arrange visits by a
Eucharistic Minister for Holy Communion
when someone is homebound.

November 7–8, 2026
32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time



We Remember

Dr. Michael Apicella	*6/28/2026*
Gayle Brinker	*12/8/2025*
John Brosnan	*11/25/2025*
Isabel (Liz) Brosnan	*4/28/2026*
Ron Charlton	*5/23/2026*
Russell Emery	*7/25/2026*
Loretta Emmons	*10/11/2026*
Audrey Engen	*1/12/2026*
Eugene Francis Engen	*8/28/2026*
Alan Gould	*4/23/2026*
Charles Gresalfi	*12/10/2025*
James Kennedy	*1/4/2026*
Kevin Konicek	*3/8/2026*
Joe Lash	*9/21/2026*
Mary Virginia Lumpkins	*12/19/2025*
Eva McGinn	*6/11/2026*
Helen Grieve McGonagle	*3/2/2026*
Craig Muzio	*3/4/2026*
Cheryl Elise Pappin	*1/24/2026*
Diane Price	*5/18/2026*
Patricia Jean (Pat) Sack	*7/21/2026*
Magdalena (Magda) Shelton	*11/11/2025*
Virginia Shubel	*2/1/2026*
Angelina Tritto	*9/8/2026*

Please pray for the souls of these parishioners,
and all who have died during the past year:
October 31, 2025–October 31, 2026



Sunday, November 7/8, 2026
32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Scripture Readings
Reading I: *Wisdom 6:12-16*—Rise before dawn and watch for wisdom's appearance and you will not be disappointed.
Responsorial: Psalm 63—My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.
Reading II: *1 Thessalonians 4:13*-18—We do not mourn death as those who have no hope.
Gospel: *Matthew 25:1-13*—The wise virgins were prepared for the coming of the bridegroom.



November is All Souls' Month
The Commemoration of all the faithful departed (aka All Souls' Day) is November 2, but at Star of the Valley, we celebrate it the whole month of November.

To have your loved ones remembered in our Masses during November, write their names on the special All Souls' Day envelope, inserted in last weekend's bulletin or found near the church entrances, and put it in the collection basket, or drop it into the locked mailbox at the Msgr. Fahey Parish Center during the week. Donations benefit the parish but are optional.

Are You Registered Here at Star of the Valley Church?
Some people attending Mass here are surprised to find out that they are not registered as parishioners. After all, they have been attending for years and contributing.

Although not necessary, please note, that if you have never filled out a Registration Form in the office or online, then you may not be registered as a parishioner. Receiving offertory envelopes is not required.

Did you know that there are benefits to being registered? One of the best is that it makes it easier to obtain any of the Sacraments!

If you are unsure or would like to update your details, please contact the Star of the Valley parish office at 707-539-6262 or email sov@sonic.net. There are registration forms at the back of church which may be dropped off in our locked mailbox at the Monsignor Fahey Parish Center.

As a child of God, prayer is like calling home every day.

MASS INTENTIONS—NOVEMBER 7–15

Sat	7	4:00	**†Barbara Nowacki** (Don Nowacki)
Sun	8	10:00	**†Darcy Jean Paquette** (Maryanne, Jerry Elliott & Family)
Mon	9		No Mass—Pray a Rosary
Tue	10	8:00	**†Magda Shelton** (Maria & Jose Perez)
Wed	11	8:00	**††Mike & Agnes Apicella**
		10:30	**O.G.—For the People of the Parish**
Thur	12	8:00	**††John and Claire Killeen**
Fri	13	8:00	**††Bo and Janet Kirschen**
Sat	14	4:00	**†Bob Waska ††Bernice & Charles Chappelle** (Frances Waska)
Sun	15	10:00	**††Bob and Joan Rorick**

Please keep the sick and those in need in your prayers: Jeremy Aytes, Gail Barrett, Irene Beagle, Fran Benton, Lisa Bragg, Jim Bricker, David Charlton II, Bambi Clark, Shirley Collins, Bob & Wendy Curtis, Michael Curtis, Lola Danielli, Bill De La Fuente, Bob Esposito, Lisa Munoz Flores, Marcy Fox, John Glaser, Cathy Hardy, Mike Hanlon, Rosemary Haver, Alan & Cheryl Hennessy, Steve Hipson, Mary Kennedy, Gloria Márquez, Millie McKay, Margot Olds, Karen O'Malley, Carol Pascoe, Sarah Petrini, David Reuser, Phil Van Tassell, Vincent, Marilyn Warman, and Dolores Zeni.

Also pray for those who have died: Rev. Robert Castro and Cookie Schaffer.

Funeral Mass at Star of the Valley
Saturday, **November 14**, 11:00 a.m.: Angelina Tritto

Scheduling Mass Intentions at Star of the Valley
Contact the parish office and leave a message with the answering service, and we will return your call, or email **sov@sonic.net** and let us know the name(s) for whom the Mass is intended, whether they are deceased or not, and date preference, if any. Suggested donation for the priest's stipend is $10 per Mass and may be dropped into the locked mailbox at the Msgr. Fahey Parish Center, or mailed to 495 White Oak Drive, Santa Rosa, CA 95409. Please make checks payable to **Star of the Valley** and write "Mass Stipend" on the memo line.

A Belated Happy Birthday
For all who celebrated a birthday in October, especially Millie McKay, 103, and Alicia Clay, 101, we hope you had a Happy Birthday.

	This Weekend — November 7-8		**Next Weekend — November 14-15**	
	4:00 p.m.	**10:00 a.m.**	**4:00 p.m.**	**10:00 a.m.**
EMs:	Linda Luceti	Liz Garcia	Len Marabella	Kar Hofmann
Lector:	Len Marabella	John Knight	Karen Schraga	Bowman Olds
Server:	Judy Rodgers	Mike Flanagan	Sr. Joanne Abrams	Drew Hofmann
Greeters:	Bob Chapman Pat Chapman	Mary Bell Judy Monroe	Tom Basile Kathy McKeon	Sue Cummings Tim Cummings
Ushers:	Tim McCammon Tom Basile Michael Sotak	Michael Montez Rick Ragan Clarence Younger	Tim McCammon Kathleen Beirne Tom Beirne	Tim Cummings John Knight John McCarthy



PARISH EVENTS—NOVEMBER 8–14

Wednesday, **November 11**, Veterans Day— *Parish Office Closed. Our answering service will take messages.*

Thursday, **November 12**, 1:30 Finance Council Meeting—Zoom

Every day, ask for the intercession of St. Joseph the Worker and St. Vincent Ferrer, Patron Saint of Builders, while praying for the repairing and reopening of our Msgr. Fahey Parish Center.

Weekly Collection Report

Oct. 18	Oct. 25	Nov. 1	Weekly Goal
$5,906	$4,719	$5,722	$5,365

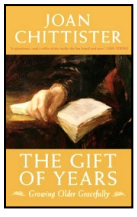
Note: The amounts, rounded to the nearest dollar, consist of First collections, Parish Repair & Maintenance, and Holy Day gifts received during the weekend and preceding week.

Second Collections

This weekend's second collection is for **Parish Repairs and Maintenance**. See below. Next weekend's second collection will be for **Catholic University of America**.

November 14-15 Second Collection

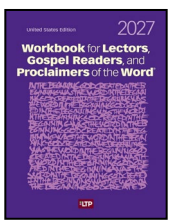
Next weekend, we will take up the National Collection for the **Catholic University of America**. Catholic University is a national research university, in the heart of Washington, D.C., with over 5,700 undergraduate and graduate students in more than 250 academic programs. By giving to the collection, you are supporting future Catholic leaders, both religious and lay, who are being formed by an exceptional, faith-rooted education. The university's various research and training initiatives support dioceses and parishes in responding to the most pressing needs of their faithful. A few examples of how the University serves the Church and nation include The Catholic Project, an initiative that aims to heal the breach of trust many have experienced as a result of the crisis in the Church; a master's program in Ecclesial Administration and Management; and a credentialing program that prepares recent graduates to serve as campus ministers. Visit **collection.catholic.edu** to learn more.



Spiritual Book Club

Men and women are invited to join in a reflection and meditation using the book *The Gift of Years* by Sister Joan Chittister. Our discussion will be on Adjustment, Fulfilment, and Mystery, Wednesday, **November 18**, 10:00– 11:00 a.m. in the Quiet Room at the church.

Note: the calendar shows the wrong date of Nov. 25.



Attention Lectors

The *2027 Workbook for Lectors, Gospel Readers, and Proclaimers of the Word* is now available for you to pick up in the workers' Sacristy. Please write the date next to your name on the Lector Book list when you pick it up.



Star of the Valley Celebrates Advent & Christmas

All are invited to start the Christmas season with an inspiring Advent Prayer Service. Our speakers will be is Sister Joann Heinritz, a sister of St. Joseph of Carondelet, and our own parishioner, Marcy Fox.

Sister Joann has been a spiritual director, retreat director and instructor at the Jesuit School of Theology in Berkely for over 20 years. She also conducts parish missions throughout the United States and has been a retreat director in Ireland every summer for over 15 years.

Marcy Fox is a member of Star of the Valley Parish and has presented a series of lectures on the world's religions and led meditations and discussions for the Oakmont community. She has authored several educational workbooks and journals and led professional workshops throughout the United States and Ireland. Just recently, Marcy was a principal organizer and speaker for our parish's workshops of Catholic Social Teachings.

We are so fortunate to have Sister Joann and Marcy Fox lead our Advent Prayer Service, focused on the theme of ***Choose Faith***. We will then continue to celebrate Christmas with an old-fashioned Christmas Carol sing-along and end with a special Christmas tree lighting. Please bring family, friends and neighbors. No cost and no RSVP required.

When: Thursday **December 3**, 2026
Time: 3:00–5:00 p.m.
Where: Star of the Valley Church
Sponsored by Star of the Valley Women's Circle

Pray for Priests

The November calendar of Prayers for Priests is on the bulletin board in church. Please pray for all priests in the Diocese of Santa Rosa, and for more vocations to the priesthood.

Parish Repair & Maintenance

These are some projects on our "to do" list that you can help complete with your contributions.

- Leaking roof at the Parish Center.
- Roofing, bathrooms, electrical & other repairs and reconstruction at the Parish Center.
- Autumn landscape and parking lot maintenance.

We will have a second collection this weekend, **November 7/8**, for **Parish Repair & Maintenance**.

Thank you for your generosity.



NEWS OUTSIDE THE PARISH

Job Opportunity

The Cathedral of St. Eugene is looking for a full-time, non-exempt Parish Secretary to join their front office group! Under the direction of the Operations Manager and Pastor, the Parish Secretary handles all front-office clerical duties. The Parish Secretary is the primary first-contact for visitors and callers to St. Eugene's, and is an active member in good standing within the Roman Catholic Church. Bilingual Spanish-English is preferred. This position has a pay range of $19-$24 per hour and is entitled to a full benefit package. To apply, please send your resume and letter of interest to: opsmanager@steugenes.com.



St. Francis Relics Coming to San Francisco

Pope Leo proclaimed January 10, 2026 to January 10, 2027 as the special Jubilee Year of St. Francis.

In commemoration of the 800th anniversary of the death of St. Francis of Assisi, sacred relics and treasures from Assisi will be on display at the Cathedral of St. Mary of the Assumption in San Francisco. The faithful are invited to make a pilgrimage and encounter the extraordinary witness of St. Francis and St. Clare through these sacred treasures.

Visitors are welcome to venerate the relics and treasures from **October 16-November 28**, 2026, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. daily. For more information about relic tours or group visits, please contact Deacon Christoph Sandoval at 415-567-2020, ext. 203.

Grief Support Group

Getting through the holidays can be a challenge when you are grieving. Your internal rhythm doesn't seem to jive with the rest of the world. The holidays will be different now, how will that go? Get some ideas, fellowship and prayerful support from the Holy Spirit Grief Group's annual *Surviving the Holidays* workshop. Prayer and fellowship can lighten our hearts. Hope to see you there.

The workshop is on Saturday, **November 21** from 1:00–4:00 p.m. in the Holy Spirit Church hall. For further information, call Deanna at 909-532-0102 or Mary at 707-495-3095.

Hope & Healing After Abortion

Father Gabriel Wankar will lead a retreat for women **December 4–6**, 2026, at a confidential site. Counseling, Mass, and the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be offered. To sign up, contact projectrachel@sfarch.org, call 415-614-5567, or visit sfarch.org/rachel.



Joy for All Seasons: An Advent Retreat

The Peace in the Storm Project, a ministry in the Catholic tradition, is delighted to invite caregivers and persons with disabilities and ongoing pain or illness to join us for our annual Advent retreat online on Zoom, Friday, **December 11**, 2026, 9:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m. The retreat will include song, prayer, reflection, fellowship, and more! Registration is free, although donations are welcome. To register, visit us at **Advent@thepeaceinthestormproject.com**, and click on the *News, Events, More* tab.

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